Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 2003 Calendar of Events

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January 20, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, 301 Fourth St.

Building a Community: Shaping A New Generation. Sponsored by Concerned Citizens for the Black Community. Speaker will be Melvin Turner, Sr., President, Mel Turner's Crown Ford, Inc. No admission cost. **Contact:** Carol Crook at 660/882-6607.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO

January 15, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Osage Community Centre, 1625 N. Kingshighway

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Extravaganza. A host of area performers will provide musical and oratorical tributes in honor of Dr. King's birthday. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City-Wide Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Debra Mitchell-Braxton, Executive Director, at 573/334-0856.

January 15, 2003 Time: 7:30 P.M. Portageville Community Center

The Struggle Goes On. Planing a Freedom Fund Rally on Dr. King's birthday. Admission cost is \$15.00 **Contact:** Dorothy Sikes at 573/379-3605.

January 20, 2003 Time: 8:00 A.M. Show Me Center

18th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Breakfast. Special Guest: Rev. Earl Nance, Jr., Pastor of Greater Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, President of St. Louis Metropolitan Clergy Coalition, and Education Liaison to the Mayor of the City of St. Louis. Admission: \$7/general public; \$3/children 6-12; free for children 5 and under; \$3/Non-Meal Plan students, free for Meal Plan students. Tickets may be purchased at the Southeast Bookstore, University Center Information Desk, and Schnucks Food and Drug until Friday, January 17. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Sponsored by Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee. Contact: Dr. Irene Ferguson at 573/651-2263, or Dr. Ivy Locke at 573/651-2570.

January 20, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M.

Osage Community Centre, 1625 N. Kingshighway

2nd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Benefit. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City-Wide Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Mrs. Debra Mitchell-Braxton, Executive Director, at 573/334-0856.

January 20, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

Westfield Shopping Town, 134 West Park Mall

Youth Gala. Area youth will provide an array of tributes in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City-Wide Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Mrs. Debra Mitchell-Braxton, Executive Director, at 573/334-0856.

January 20, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M. Livingway Church, 1224 Bloomfield Rd.

13th Annual Community Celebration. Ecumenical evening worship service. Special Guest: Sister Antona Ebo. Event is co-sponsored by the Downtown Council of Churches of Cape Girardeau and the Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee. No admission cost. Contact: Rev. Bob Towner at 573/335-2997.

January 20-24, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

University Center Lobby, Southeast Missouri State University

Volunteer Fair and Common Hour Programs. Daily activities include volunteer fair for individuals and organizations to sign up for service days; collection of donations of mittens and canned goods for disbursement to communities in the service region; program on "Organizing Peaceful Protests"; performance by the University's Regenerations Choir; and, a video highlighting Dr. King and Civil Rights efforts. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Ms. Vida Mays at 573/290-5111, or Ms. Gretchen Weber at 573/651-2280.

January 20 through February 2003

Various Elementary Schools

Speakers and Presenters Bureau. Southeast Missouri State University students will be selected from various academic disciplines to research and make topical presentations in classrooms on significant events and individuals of African American history. **Contact:** Mr. Trent Ball at 573/651-6135.

Month of February 2003 Time: 7:30 A.M. (Mon. - Fri.) 10:00 A.M. (Sat.) 1st Floor of University Center, Southeast Missouri State University Annual Black History Month Book Sale. A selection of trade books for purchase featuring Black History Month. Contact: Ms. Laurie Taylor at 573/651-2737.

Month of February 2003

Participating Elementary Schools and Early Childhood Centers

6th Annual Read-A-Thon. Readers will present multicultural literature on historical Americans and their contributions to the development of our nation to children from preschool to grade four. Sponsored by the Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee. Contact: Ms. Joyce Renaud at 573/651-2499.

February 4, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Johnson Faculty Center, Southeast Missouri State University

Collegiate 100 Forum. An open forum and discussion of the book, <u>Envy of the World:</u> On Being a Black Man in America. No admission cost. **Contact:** Mr. Alan Byrd at 573/651-2590.

February 5, 2003 Time: 6:00 P.M.

University Center Ballroom, Southeast Missouri State University

African American Artists Showcase and Reception. This exhibition of African

American artists is open to the University and surrounding communities. Reception included. Sponsored by Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Dr. Arrick Jackson at 573/986-6163.

February 12, 2003 Time: 5:00 P.M.

Southeast Missouri State University, Dempster Atrium

Minority Career Exploration Dinner. Keynote speaker will be Ms. Joyce Bracy Vaughn, Director of the Student Counseling Assessment and Development Center, University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff. The theme and purpose of this dinner is to proactively involve our minority students in mentoring and networking activities that enhance their understanding of the significance and value of higher education. Students, faculty and staff should attend. No admission cost. Contact: Jerry Lee Westbrook, Assistant Dean of Students and Director Career Services, at 573/651-2268, (fax) 573/651-2532, e-mail: jlwestbrook@semo.edu.

February 13-16, 2003

Black Heritage and Civil Rights Tour. Southeast Missouri State University students will visit historical sites and institutions of higher learning including the Sloss Furnace Museum, the Tuskegee Institute and the Alabama/Georgia cities of Selma, Tuskegee, Montgomery, Birmingham and Atlanta. Limited to MSP and SSS students. Sponsored by the Offices of Minority Student Programs, Student Support Services, and Student Development at Southeast Missouri State University. **Contact:** Ms. Tameka Herrion at 573/986-6135.

February 20, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Johnson Faculty Center, Southeast Missouri State University What Have You Done For Me Lately: From Black Women to Black Men. An open forum and discussion on the state of relationships and community between African American men and women. No admission cost. Sponsored by Collegiate 100 Organization at SMSU. Contact: Ms. Kim Stewart at 573/651-2590.

February 27, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

University Center Ballroom, Southeast Missouri State University

Campus-Wide Career Fair will feature 25-50 potential employers recruiting students for positions with their companies or organizations. Sponsored by Career Services.

Contact: Mr. Jerry Lee Westbrook at 573/651-2266.

February 28 and March 1, 2003

Time: 4:00 P.M.

Johnson Faculty Center, Southeast Missouri State University

Two Black Movie Weekends will showcase decades of African American cinema. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Cultural Events Planning Committee of the Office of Minority Student Programs. **Contact:** Mr. Christopher Johnson at 573/986-6135.

CENTRALIA, MO

January 19, 2003 Time 3:00 P.M. Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 304 Fullenwider St.

"Come Live the Dream." City-wide Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration. Memorial roll call of civil rights leaders. Program will include keynote speaker, Rev. Cornell Sudderth, Sr., Second Baptist Church Choir and various other gospel groups. Open to

the public. Reception will follow the program. **Contact:** Rev. Dr. Michael L. Dixon at 573/353-8397.

COLUMBIA, MO

January 16, 2003 Time: 7:00 A.M.

Holiday Inn Expo Center, 2200 I-70 Drive Southwest

Columbia Values Diversity Celebration: 10th Annual Celebration of the Life and Teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Share breakfast and a special program. Guest speaker will be Rev. Bernice A. King, daughter of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In addition, the combined choirs of the First Baptist and Second Missionary Baptist Churches of Columbia, accompanied by the Columbia Handbell Ensemble, will present the cantata, "The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute." Cost is \$15/adult, \$12/child which includes breakfast. A limited number of scholarships are available upon request. Contact: 573/874-7488 or e-mail at OCS@GoColumbiaMo.com.

January 20-28, 2003

University Bookstore, Main Level, Brady Commons, MU Campus

Pursuing the Dream: Civil Rights Revisited. Educational Showcase of Books and Video Clips on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. No admission cost. **Contact:** Linda Garth at 573/882-2512.

January 21, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

Second Missouri Baptist Church, 407 E. Broadway

A Bridge Over Troubled Waters. Motorcade from the MLK Site on Stadium Blvd. To the Second Baptist Church, followed by a 15 minute ceremony. Rev. Sammie Jones will be the guest speaker, followed by a free luncheon. Contact: Mary A. Ratliff at 573/445-3231 or 573/881-0163.

January 22, 2003 Time: 12:15 P.M. Francis Quadrangle, MU Campus

Kick-Off Celebration/A Moment of Reflection. Join MU Deputy Chancellor Michael Middleton and Vice-Provost Handy Williamson, Jr., for the ringing of the Switzler Bell in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Special appearances by Dr. John Hume, recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize and the Martin Luther King Peace Prize; the MU Percussion Society; and the Legion of Black Collegians Choir. Hot chocolate will be served. In case of inclement weather, location will be in Jesse Hall Rotunda. No admission cost. **Contact:** Linda Garth at 573/882-2512.

January 23, 2003 Time: 1:30 P.M. Law School, Conley Avenue, MU Campus

African American Patriotism. Esquire Michael Middleton, JD, will present a history of the desegregation cases in Missouri. Middleton is a distinguished professor in the Law School. No admission cost. **Contact:** Linda Garth at 573/882-2512.

January 28, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.
Cornell Hall Auditorium, Rollins Street, MU Campus

Keynote Speech: Ozell Sutton, Regional Director - Southeast Region, Community Relations Services, U.S. Dept. Of Justice. Civil rights and human rights are Dr. Ozell Sutton's passions. He was with the Little Rock Nine when they entered Central High School in 1957. He marched with Dr. Martin Luther King in Washington in 1963, in Selma in 1964, in Birmingham, and was in Memphis when he was killed in 1968. Dr. Sutton is nationally recognized for his leadership in human relations and racial conflict resolution. He has been heralded by Ebony Magazine four times as one of the "100 Most Influential African American Leaders" and recipient of the "Medallion of Freedom" award by the NAACP. Mr. Sutton will address the past, present and future status of civil rights. Hosts: Men of Zeta Alpha Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. No admission cost. Contact: Linda Garth at 573/882-2512.

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January Date TBA Time: Mornings Fulton Public Schools

Various Programs in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sponsored by the Fulton Branch NAACP. **Contact:** Jack McBride at 573/642-5462.

January Date TBA William Woods University

Activities TBA. Sponsored by the Fulton Branch NAACP and Youth Life-Improvement Association. **Contact:** Jack McBride at 573/642-5462.

JEFFERSON CITY REGIONAL AREA

January 13, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M. 415 W. McCarty

"Standing on the Promises of a Dream." Recognizing the accomplishments of individuals, students, government employees and community organizations. Sponsored by the Central Missouri Committee. Special Guests: Governor Bob Holden and Ms. Holiday Simmons. No admission cost. **Contact:** Marvin Eason at 573/751-8130.

January 29, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M. Missouri State Capitol Rotunda

Martin Luther King Capitol Rotunda Celebration. Guest speakers will be announced at a later date. **Contact:** 573/751-2770.

January 21- 23, 2003 Time: TBA Lincoln University Page Library, 720 Lee Dr.

"Miles of Smiles, Years of Struggle" Film Festival. Sponsored by the Paula J. Carter Center on Minority Health and Aging. No admission cost. Contact: Gail Jones or Mark PaBarve at 573/681-5542.

March 13-14, 2003 Time: TBA Lincoln University, 820 Chestnut

Missouri Institute on Minority Aging. Sponsored by Lincoln University Cooperative Extension, Paula J. Carter Center on Minority Health and Aging. **Contact:** 573/681-5530, or www.luce.lincolnu.edu/mima.

KANSAS CITY REGIONAL AREA

January 10, 2003 Time: 7:30 P.M. Community Christian Church, 4600 Main

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Jam Session. Local artists and recording artist Kirk Whalum. Sponsored by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). No admission cost. Contact: Rev. Bob Hill at 816/561-6531.

January 11, 2003 Time: 9:00 A.M.

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Music Workshop. Participants will explore all avenues of music. Special guests: Kirk Whalum and Michael Charles. Sponsored by the SCLC. Contact: Rev. Nelson Thompson at 913/321-4105.

January 12, 2003 Time: 4:00 P.M. Community Christian Church, 4600 Main

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Interfaith Service. Will include singing and dancing from different faiths. Sponsored by the SCLC. No admission cost. Contact: Rev. Bob Hill, Pastor, at 816/561-6531.

January 13, 2003 Time: 8:00 A.M. Fairmont Hotel, Country Club Plaza

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Youth Leadership Workshop. A look at the music industry, from writing, arranging producing, recording and promotions. Open to all high school students. Special guest TBA. Sponsored by the SCLC. Admission cost: \$20.00. Contact: Wesley Fields.

January 14, 2003 Time: 11:30 A.M.

Marriott Hotel, 200 W. 12th

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Community Luncheon. Special Guest TBA. Sponsored by the SCLC. Admission cost: \$25.00. Contact: Rev. Nelson Thompson at 913/321-4105.

January 15, 2003 Time: 7:30 A.M.

Folly Theater

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Artist Tribute. Special Guest TBA. Sponsored by the SCLC. Admission cost: TBA. Contact: Celeste Reed at 816/234-4226.

January 16, 2003 Time: 7:30 A.M.

Marriott Hotel, 200 W. 12th

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Black Achievers' Dinner. Recognition of outstanding "Blacks" in business and industry. Rich Hasting, St. Louis/Shawnee Mission Hospital, is

the Honorary Chairperson. Special Guest: TBA. Sponsored by the SCLC. Admission Cost is \$50.00. **Contact:** Taylor Fields at 816/474-1700.

January 17, 2003 Time: 8:00 P.M. GEM Theater. 18th Vine District

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Musical Tribute. Special Guest: Bobby Watson, Jr. Sponsored by the SCLC. Admission Cost: TBA. Contact: Rev. Nelson Thompson at

913/321-4105.

January 18, 2003 Time: 9:00 A.M.

Mason Memorial United Methodist Church, 1417 N. 9th, Kansas City, KS

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Radio Tribute and Community Breakfast. Special guests: SCLC Chair and others. Sponsored by the SCLC. No admission cost. Contact: Rev. Nelson Thompson, Pastor, at 913/321-4105.

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January 18, 2003 Time: 6:30 P.M.

St. James United Methodist Church, 56th and Paseo

"Classics in the Key of Life," featuring all youth talent. In concert: Kansas City Youth Symphony, Conductor Glenn Block; Kansas City Boys Choir; Lyric Opera Kids; Leon Brady Jazz Band; and Marcus Oatis, instrumentalist. Narrators will be Judge Jon Gray and Rev. Emanuel Cleaver, II. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. State Celebration Commission. No admission cost. Contact: Lessie Thompson at 816/763-1232.

January 19, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Pulpit Exchange. Area churches exchange pulpits with participating churches. Sponsored by the SCLC. **Contact:** Rev. Nelson Thompson at 913/321-4105.

January 20, 2003 Time: 9:00 A.M.

Rockhurst University, 1100 Rockhurst Rd.

Multicultural Arts & Crafts Extravaganza. Storytelling, pottery making, dancing, learning about the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Special Guests: Councilwoman Mary Williams and Neal and Sean Tyler. Sponsored by the Kansas City Harmony. Admission Cost: Lunch \$2.50/person. Contact: Jessica Dumas at 816/231-1077, ext. 101.

January 20, 2003 Time: 9:30 A.M.

Rockhurst University, 1100 Rockhurst Rd.

"Music: Soul of the Movement" Youth Day. Grades K-12. Sponsored by the SCLC.

Contact: Jessica Dumas at 816/231-1077, ext. 101.

Time: 12:00 Noon January 20, 2003

Westport Presbyterian Church, 201 Westport Road

Concert to Honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sponsored by the Westport Brown Bag Concert Series. Special Guests, Doug Talley Jazz Quartet. No admission cost.

Contact: Marian Thomas. Music Director. at 816-931-1032.

January 20, 2003 Time: 6:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Baptist Church, 1414 E. Truman Rd.

"Music: Soul of the Movement" MASS Celebration with Area Choirs. Special guests will be area pastors who sing and preach. Sponsored by the SCLC. No admission cost. **Contact:** Rev. Nelson Thompson at 913/321-4105.

January 20, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M. John Knox Pavilion, 520 NW Murray Rd. Annual MLK Celebration - "Commitment to the Dream: Shaping a New

Generation." Activities include essay contest and Diversity Celebration including display tables of different cultures. Special guests: Rev. Ralph Grabbe, St. Paul AME Church; Heartland Men's Chorus - Sounds of Summit; and Community Chorus. Sponsored by the Lee's Summit Human Relations Commission. No admission cost. **Contact:** Lessie Thompson at 816/763-1232.

KIRKSVILLE,MO

January 18, 2003 Time: 1:00 P.M.

Kirksville Public Library

Martin Luther King Day READ OUT at the Adair County Public Library. Enjoy children's stories of different cultures, and learn about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. At the first annual READ OUT. The READ OUT's mission is to raise multicultural awareness while promoting literacy. Truman students and community volunteers will read to children at the afternoon story hour (a 45 minute program) geared to 4-8 year olds.

January 19, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

First United Methodist Church, 300 E. Washington

Ecumenical Service of Love and Peace. This service will contain reflective messages and performances on the teachings of Martin Luther King, Jr.

January 20, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

Baldwin Auditorium, Truman State University

Unity VII. A Celebration of Unity through Song, Dance and Words. This commemorative event celebrating the life and spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Will feature performances by the Unique Ensemble Gospel Choir; the High Street Dancers, and Truman students. Everyone is invited to attend this special event. Approximately 75 minutes in length. **Contact:** 660/785-4142.

January 21, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

Georgian Room, SUB, Truman State University

Unity Luncheon. In an effort to extend our celebration into the community, we are hosting a United Luncheon at which students, faculty and staff members and community members will be given the opportunity to converse with one another over lunch about King's ideals. The centerpiece of the luncheon will be a performance entitled, *Songs of Freedom: Voices from the Civil Rights Movement*, an innovative celebration of the music that shaped civil rights. Admission for the luncheon is \$3/Truman students; \$5.50/general public. RSVP by Friday, January 17, 2003. **Contact:** 660/785-4142.

January 22, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

Activities Room, Student Union Bldg., Truman State University

Moderated Symposium will include insights and brief reflections by four panelists on Dr. King's speech, "Beyond Vietnam: A Time to Break the Silence." Refreshments will be served. **Contact:** 660/785-4142.

January 23-24, 2003 Time: 9:00 A.M.

Sharing Martin with the children of Kirksville. Volunteers will read books to children in northeast Missouri to help them understand the significance of MLK day.

January 23, 2003 Time: 3:30 P.M.

Violette Hall 1000, Truman State University

From the War on Poverty to a Struggle for Peace, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Symposium. The moderated symposium will include insights and brief reflections by four panelists on Dr. King's speech, "Beyond Vietnam: A Time to Break the Silence." Refreshments will be served. Contact: 660/785-4142.

Volunteering in the Kirksville Community

As part of the efforts to extend the reach of the King celebration to the community, Multicultural Affairs and the Education Division are hosting a special Martin Luther King Day of Service. Truman students, faculty, and staff will have the opportunity to put King's ideal of service into action by serving the community.

Kirksville schools: reading books to children and helping them understand MLK Day. **Contact**: Donna Rhinesmith at ed11@truman.edu.

Northeast Missouri Community Action Agency: Head Start Program: reading books to, or helping with young children. Contact: Bertha Thomas at bthomas@truman.edu.

Nursing homes: assisting residents with letter writing, visiting with them about MLK Day, etc. **Contact:** Rolena Hadwiger at v338@truman.edu.

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February 1-23, 2003 Time: TBA

Margaret Harwell Cart Museum, 421 N. Main St.

"Celebrating African-American Month at the Margaret Harwell Art Museum." The Art of Dr. Jessie L. Whitehead. Opening reception will begin on February 2 from 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. Special guest will be Dr. Jessie L. Whitehead. No admission cost. Contact: Tina M. Maqill, Director at 573/686-8002.

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"The Souls of Black Folk" Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Black History Month.

January 20, 2003 Time: 11:30 A.M.

Christ Episcopal Church, 10th and Main Streets

Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration. The celebration will begin with a motorcade from 6th and Pine streets in downtown Rolla to the Phelps County Courthouse, 200 N. Main St., where a speaker (TBA) will honor Dr. King. Following the speech, a luncheon will be held in the lower level of Christ Episcopal Church. During the luncheon, area schoolchildren will give presentations on the theme of "Building a Community, Shaping a New Generation." No admission cost. Sponsored by the UMR African American Cultural Recognition Committee, Missouri Teachers Association, Rolla Area NAACP. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937, or maryp@umr.edu.

January 25, 2003 Time: 6:30 P.M.

Centennial Hall, University Center - East, UMR Campus

NAACP Awards Banquet. The NAACP will award *Yes I Can* scholarships to UMR African American students at the event and a member of the community will be presented with a *Yes I Can* award in recognition of demonstrated courage in the face of adversity. Guest speaker will be Rev. Gill L. Ford, Region IV NAACP Director, and an attorney from Denver, CO. Rev. Ford is a dynamic, knowledgeable and enthusiastic speaker. Attire is semi-formal. Admission is \$30/adults, \$20/UMR Students. Tickets are available from the UMR Ticket Window (573/341-4219), or by calling the Rolla branch of the NAACP at 573/368-4616, or by calling Gwendolyn Stovall at 573/364-5826. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937 or maryp@umr.edu.

February-March 2003

University Center - East, UMR Campus

Lelia Thompson Flagg Art Contest. Student artwork celebrating African American history and culture will be on display in February and March and then displayed at the Southwestern Bell Cultural Center. Sponsored by the University of Missouri-Rolla African American Cultural Recognition Committee. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937 or maryp@umr.edu.

February 3-7, 2003 Location TBA

Student Council Diversity Week. Various events are planned during the week to celebrate diversity in honor of Black History Month. Sponsored by the University of Missouri-Rolla Student Council. **Contact:** Glenn Lloyd, UMR Student Council Intercultural Relations Chair at gdl972@umr.edu, or Nancy Austin, UMR Student Council Intercultural Relations Asst. Chair at ncayr8@umr.edu.

February 13, 2003 Time: 7:30 P.M. Leach Theater, Castleman Hall, UMR Campus

Jammin' with Pops. A new musical by Barry Harman, gives a fictional account of a backstage visit between Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong. Late one evening in the 1960s, Ella Fitzgerald makes a surprise backstage visit. Louis and the All Stars are beat, but when Ella says she is a little blue, Louis starts an impromptu jam session to cheer her up. Hopefully, music and a lot of reminiscing will help. Sponsored by the University of Missouri - Rolla African American Cultural Recognition Committee. Admission is \$15/adults, \$10/UMR Students with a valid student I.D., and \$8/youth age 18 and younger. All day-of-show tickets are \$15. For more information, call UMR Ticket Window at 573/341-4219. Contact: Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937 or maryp@umr.edu.

February 15, 2003 Time: 8:30 A.M. Room 204 McNutt Hall, UMR Campus

AACRC and NSBE Oratorical Contest. Contest is open to high school students in Missouri and bordering states and is held in conjunction with UMR's Dinner to Jazz concert and banquet. This year's theme is "The Souls of Black Folk." More than \$175 in prizes will be given. Sponsored by the University of Missouri-Rolla student chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers and the African American Cultural Recognition Committee. Contact: Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair at 573/341-6937, maryp@umr.edu; or Christian Washington at cwash@umr, edu.

February 16, 2003 Time: 8:00 A.M. & 9:30 A.M.

Christ Episcopal Church, 10th and Main

Absalom Jones Sunday. Absalom Jones, the first African American Episcopal priest, will be celebrated during services at Christ Episcopal Church, 10th and Main Sts. Speaker TBA. Sponsored by the University of Missouri - Rolla African American Cultural Recognition Committee. No admission cost. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937 or maryp@umr.edu.

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January 20, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Missouri Western State College (MWSC) Multipurpose Classroom Building, Room 101

Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration - One Nation, One Struggle, One Dream! Keynote speaker Jeff Edwards of Kansas City, Pastor of Freedom Christian Center Church, will deliver the message of the evening. Rev. Edwards is also the president of the Network of Urban Churches and Ministries. Local choirs will perform as well as the Students Learning Unity and Responsibility, a peer theatre group from MWSC. No admission cost. Contact: Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152, or dicarter@mwsc.edu.

February 2003

Missouri Western State College

The Read-A-Thon Program will be an ongoing program sponsored by the Office of Unity Services. Volunteers from the college will travel to various elementary schools in the St. Joseph community reading a variety of books about famous African Americans. **Contact:** Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152, or djcarter@mwsc.edu.

February 2003

MWSC Multipurpose Classroom Building, Rooms 214-216

Black Movie Night. Every Friday during the month of February. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Office of Unity Services and Campus Activities Board. **Contact:** Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152, or <u>djcarter@mwsc.edu</u>.

February 1, 2003 Time: 9:00 A.M.

Various Locations

Community Service. MWSC Office of Unity Services will engage in a day of community involvement. Famous African American leaders believed in giving back to the community and lending a helping hand. Volunteers will be sent out into the community for a full day of community service at various locations throughout the St. Joseph area. **Contact:** Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152, or dicarter@mwsc.edu.

February 4, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

MWSC Nelle Blum Student Union Building, Room 218

"The Civil Rights Movement: Past, Present and Future." The Office of Unity Services will host a panel discussion focusing on the Civil Rights movement and how it has affected our society. Various speakers will be present to share their experiences

during this time in history. **Contact:** Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152, or djcarter@mwsc.edu.

February 8, 2002 Time: 9:00 A.M.

Service Organizations in the St. Joseph Community

Day of Community Involvement. MWSC Office of Unity Services will engage in a day of community involvement. Volunteers will be sent out into the community for a full day of community service at various locations throughout the St. Joseph area. **Contact:** Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152, or dicarter@mwsc.edu.

February 10, 2003 Time: 8:00 P.M.

MWSC Multipurpose Classroom Building Room 101

"Sanctuary II: Slam Poetry Night." Office of Unity services will sponsor a night of spoken word, music and expression. Local poets will present their "slam" poetry in their own unique way. No admission cost. Contact: Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152 or djcarter@mwsc.edu.

February 13, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

MWSC Multipurpose Classroom Building Room 101

Black Greek Heritage Showcase. Unity Services presents this showcase. Historically black sororities and fraternities will present cultural and historical information about their organizations. No admission cost. **Contact:** Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152 or djcarter@mwsc.edu.

February 14, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M. MWSC Nelle Blum Student Union Lounge

Student Wellness Screening. Health Services will host a screening of diseases that are prominent in African Americans. Screenings will include blood pressure, Diabetes and Sickle Cell Anemia. No admission cost. **Contact:** Joyce Courter at 816/271-4495 or courtebj@mwsc.edu.

February 19, 2003 Time: 8:00 P.M.

MWSC M.O. Looney Health, Physical Education and Recreation Bldg. Students Learning Unity and Responsibility will perform a brief skit honoring famous African Americans at halftime during the basketball game. Admission is \$6/general public, free to students. Contact: Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152 or djcarter@mwsc.edu.

February 24, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

MWSC Multipurpose Classroom Building Room 101

"Preacher Moss." Preacher Moss, sponsored by the Office of Unity Services, is a gifted lecturer and comedian. Using these talents, he will discuss racial issues amongst society. No admission cost. Contact: Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152 or dicarter@mwsc.edu.

February 26, 2003 Time: 8:00 P.M.

MWSC M.O. Looney Health, Physical Education and Recreation Bldg. Students Learning Unity and Responsibility will perform a brief skit honoring famous African Americans at halftime during the basketball game. Admission is \$6/general public, free to students. Contact: Danielle J. Carter at 816/271-4152 or dicarter@mwsc.edu.

ST. LOUIS REGIONAL AREA

Third Thursday of Every Month

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Various Churches in Franklin County

Monthly Meeting to discuss and promote better understanding among different cultures and races. No meeting held in January. Sponsored by Neighbors - United and Undoing Racism. No admission cost. Contact: Frank Fazzari at 636/583-1656.

December 2, 2002 Time: 12:00 P.M.

St. Louis Community College - Meramec, BA-105

A Celebration of Kwanzaa. The celebration will include a brief Kwanzaa opening ceremony, an explanation of Kwanzaa, African music and refreshments. **Contact:** 314/984-7528.

December 11, 2002 Time: 12:00 P. M.

St. Louis Community College - Meramec, SC-123

Emancipation Forum. Program focusing on the passage of the 13th Amendment and Emancipation Proclamation. It will feature a point-counterpoint dialogue centered around the debate between the merits of the Emancipation Proclamation vs. the power and impact of the 13th Amendment to the Constitution. **Contact:** 314/984-7528.

December 19, 2002

St. Louis Public Library, Walnut Park Branch, 5760 W. Florissant

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay Contest. Begins December 19, 2002 and ends January 17, 2003. All entries must be in by 6:00 P.M. January 17, 2003. Awards ceremony is January 30, 2003 at 5:00 P.M. **Contact:** B. Boyd at 314/383-1210.

January 2003

Ward Chapel AME Church

Annual Black History Celebration. Speaker to be announced. Also a youth program coordinated by the YPD, Sunday School and Outreach Council will include songs, skits, poems and other recitations commemorating historical African Americans. **Contact:** Richard Chapman at 636/937-2723.

January 6, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

St. Louis Gateway Classic Sports Complex

MLK Coaches Luncheon. Kick-off luncheon and press conference highlighting coaches/teams participating in 11th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Basketball Shoot Out. Teams include Cardinal Ritter (boys), East St. Louis Sr. High (boys), Gateway Tech (girls), Hazelwood Central (girls), Normandy (boys) and Vashon (boys). **Contact:** Melba Young, Manager, at 314/621-1994, ext. 204.

January 11, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Harris-Stowe State College, 3026 Laclede Ave.

Statewide Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Kick-Off Celebration for the State of Missouri. Pre-Program performances by the Cameron Youth Chamber Orchestra, Adrian Walker, Director; "Without A Word" Grace Community Bible Church Mime Ministry; and Alkeisha Brown and Company at 6:00 P.M. Guest speaker is Alfre Woodard, Award-winning film and television actress. Special performances by The Black Repertory Company, Ron Himes, producer; Denise Thimes, National Jazz Artist; Leslie Johnson, National Gospel Recording Artist, and the "I Have A Dream" speech performed by 11-year old Timothy Taylor. A reception sponsored by Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc., will immediately follow the program. The Jazz Edge will perform during the reception. Admission is free. Contact: Harris-Stowe State College at 314/340-3390.

January 12, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

St. Louis Community College-Florissant Valley, 3400 Pershall Road

United We Stand/United We Can. Keynote speaker will be Reg Weaver, President of the National Education Association. Other activities include African dance performance, oratory contest winners, piano performance, and gospel choir. No admission cost. **Contact:** Ivory M. Hill at 314/595-4265.

January 12, 2003 Time: 5:00 P.M.

Christ Memorial Baptist Church, 206 Emerling Dr., Cool Valley, MO

11th **Annual Martin Luther King Celebration.** A worship service with guest speaker Dr. Robert Scott, Pastor, Central Baptist Church. **Contact:** Dr. Bill Little at 314/521-1958.

January 13, 2003 Time: 9:00 A.M.

The Ambassador

MLK Youth Awareness Day. In conjunction with the MLK St. Louis Support Group, 40 St. Louis metropolitan area students will be honored who exemplify the work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. within their school community. Sponsored by the St. Louis Gateway Classic Sports Foundation. **Contact:** Melba Young, Manager, at 314/621-1994, ext. 204.

January 13, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

Grand Oak Shopping Center, Natural Bridge and Lucas & Hunt *Memorial Service in Honor of the late Margaret Peacock.* Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King Support Group. Contact: President Tyrone Thompson or Thelma Evans at 314/385-1915.

January 13, 2003 Time: All day

Schlafly Branch of the St. Louis Public Library, 225 N. Euclid Ave.

Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Birthday Celebration. Come celebrate. All ages welcome. Adults, teens and older youth can explore the library with a scavenger hunt about MLK, Jr. Younger children can color a picture of Dr. King. Show your completed project to library staff and receive a special Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. bookmark. No admission cost. **Contact:** Judith Bruce, Branch Manager, at 314/367-4120.

January 15, 2003 Time: 11:45 A.M.

Maritz, Inc.

1355 North Highway Drive, Fenton

"His Dream...Our Future," Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Special Guest: Cameron Youth Chamber Orchestra. No admission cost. Contact: Daniel McFadden at 636/827-1598.

January 15, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M. St. Louis Community College - Meramec

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observance. A celebration of life and contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., including video excerpts from *Eyes on the Prize*. The program will also feature one of Dr. King's speeches and appropriate commentary. A reception will follow the program. **Contact:** 314/984-7528.

January 15, 2003

Place to be Announced

Dr. Martin Luther King Student Awareness Program. President, Tyrone Thompson. **Contact:** 314/385-1915 or 314/581-2431.

January 18, 2003 Time: 9:00 A.M. Lexington School, 5030 Lexington

"M.L. King Tribute and Spelling Bee." To be held in the Multipurpose Room. Students of Lexington School participating/community attending. No admission cost. **Contact:** Winnetta Ellis at 314/385-2522.

January 18, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

Airport Marriott Hotel

95th National Founders' Day Celebration Luncheon and Community Service **Project.** Guest Speaker will be National President, Linda M. White. Cost is \$40.00. Sponsored by the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. **Contact:** Mrs. Linda J. Huggins, at 314/838-5386.

January 19, 2003

Crystal City Hall, Festus

Annual Jefferson County Community March commemorating the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. March will begin at Crystal City Hall and conclude at Festus City Hall. A program will be held at the end of the march. Speaker to be announced. Contact: Denise Brown at 636/937-0575.

January 19, 2003 Time: 12:30 P.M. Fountain Park, 4900 Fountain Avenue

Placing a garland on the statue of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran Church. Fountain Avenue is 1 block east of Kingshighway. **Contact:** Rev. Ted Schroeder at 314/381-8771.

January 19, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

United Church of Christ (St. Louis Association), 826 North Union *Ecumenical Worship and Support.* Free will offering accepted. Contact: Rev. Bentley de Bardelaben.

January 20, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

J.C. Penney Auditorium, 8001 Natural Bridge Rd.

Production of "Floodgates: Black and White in St. Louis," guest speaker, and children's program. Special guest speaker will be Ralph F. Boyd, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Dept. Of Justice. No admission cost. Sponsored by the University of Missouri - St. Louis. **Contact:** Deborah Burris at 314/516-5695.

January 20, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M. Old Court House Rotunda, 11 N. 4th St.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Committee Civic Ceremony. Mayor Francis Slay will present the official MLK statement, followed by remarks from other elected officials and dignitaries. Music by Derrick Mosely & One Accord, and Alkeisha Brown. Media professional, Mary F. Cannon, will be honored. The March will begin at 11:00 A.M. at 4th & Market and end at Powell Symphony Hall, Enright and Grand Ave. An Interfaith Service will begin at 12:00 Noon at Powell Hall. Music provided by the St. Louis Progressive Mass Choir, Dr. E. Wayne Evans, Director. Keynote speaker will be Senator Maggie Glover from Savannah, South Carolina. Everyone is invited to march, for the struggle continues. Get your Martin Luther King buttons. Contact: 314/426-6553 or 314/361-8654. Committee: Norman R. Seay, Founder; Merdean Gales, President; and Christopher Ramey, Coordinator.

January 20, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

Word Chapel A.M.E. Church, 11410 Old Halls Ferry Rd.

Dr. Martin Luther King Commemorative Service. Special Guest: Congressman Lacy Clay. All City and County residents are invited to attend. No admission cost. **Contact:** Rev. Ann Owens-MacDonald, Pastor, at 314/831-0348.

January 20, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M.

Skate King Center (West), 6100 Natural Bridge Ave.

All Day Skate. Admission is \$3.00 between Noon and 3:00 P.M. or \$5.00 between Noon and 6:00 P.M. **Contact:** Mr. Marion Riddle at 314/382-1112 or 314-382-1114.

January 20, 2003 Time: 12:00 Noon

Church of the Living God, Trinity Christian Fellowship, 2906 Magnolia *Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade and Observance.* Parade begins at 12:00 Noon at 2758 Accomac, the corner of California and Accomac. Repast after the observance. Public is invited at no cost. **Contact:** Marla Martin at 314/771-4466 or R. C. Price at 314/773/2484.

January 20, 2003 Time: 3:00 - 9:00 P.M. Savvis Center

11th Annual Coca-Cola/Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Basketball Shoot Out. Purpose of this event is to provide an opportunity for St. Louis metropolitan area youth to celebrate MLK's birthday through healthy competition. Game schedules can be obtained from the St. Louis Gateway Classic Sports Foundation. Costs: Pre-Game - \$12, \$14, \$25. Game day - \$15, \$17, \$25. Tickets can be purchased through participating schools, the Savvis Center, or Ticket Masters. Co-sponsors are Majic 104.9/World Wide Technology/FanSports KFNS 590 AM. Contact: Melba Young, Manager, at 314/621-1994, ext. 204.

January 20, 2003 Time: 4:00 P.M.

Washington University School of Medicine's Eric P. Newman Center, 320 S. Euclid Ave.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Lecture. Guest speaker: Juan Williams, political analyst for the Fox News channel and national correspondent for *The Washington Post*. One of America's leading political writers and thinkers, he is the author of the nonfiction bestseller Eyes on the Prize: America's Civil Rights Years, 1954 - 1965, a companion volume to the critically praised PBS series created and produced by the late Henry

Hampton, Jr. Sponsored by the Office of Diversity Programs, Washington University School of Medicine. No admission cost. **Contact:** Office of Diversity Programs at 314/362-6854.

January 20, 2003 Time: TBA

Missouri Historical Society, 5700 Lindell Blvd.

Martin Luther King Speaker and Music. No admission cost. Contact: Barney

Bradshaw at 314/454-3135.

January 22, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M. St. Louis Community College - Meramec

Black Repertory Experience - "Othello". The Black Repertory Company will present "Othello" - the heart-wrenching, compelling drama adapted by David Charles, performed from a hip-hop perspective. **Contact:** 314/984-7528.

January 23-24, 2003 Time: 9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. January 25, 2003 Time: 10:30 A.M. & 1:00 P.M.

Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth St.

The Other American Revolution: The Struggle for Civil Rights in the 60's. Bobby Norfolk brings to life the historical context of the struggles for equal justice, as well as the individual heroism of the participants, through excerpts from speeches, sermons, poems and stories. He also examines how the civil rights leaders and those events continue to impact our lives today. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. Contact: David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

January 25, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M. Kirkwood Public Library, 140 East Jefferson

Family Breakfast. All ages are invited. Entertainment will feature African American folklore and a multitude of cultural art forms that bring us together in Moja Taifa, which means one nation. Audience participation, with music from the U.S., Africa and the Caribbean. Special Guest: Kunama Mtendaji "Words From The Drum." No admission cost. **Contact:** Joan Deuschle at 314/821-5770, ext. 15.

January 25, 2003 Time: 4:00 P.M.

Transit Workers Union Hall, 1611 S. Broadway

23rd **Anniversary Celebration Dinner Program.** Sponsored by the Organization for Black Struggle. **Contact:** 314/367-5959, or obs.onthemove@yahoo.com.

January 29, 2003 Time: 6:30 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 1640 S. Lindbergh

"Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise." Special Guest: Dick Gregory, activist and comedian. Sponsored by the Black History Month Committee. No admission cost.

Contact: Sandra J. Williams at 314/994-3300.

February 1, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

The Church of the Living God, 1034 S. Kingshighway

Unlocking the Past. Bus tour of North St. Louis neighborhood and churches. Sponsored by the Black History Committee of the Church of the Living God, Bishop S. E. Shannon, Pastor. Cost: TBA. **Contact:** Josephine L. Carter, Coordinator, at 314/838-3703.

February 2, 2003 Time: 1:00 P.M.

The Church of the Living God, Temple #1, 1034 S. Kingshighway

Lloyd Gaines: A Case Study. Presenter will be Dr. Dwayne Smith of Park University. Sponsored by the Black History Committee. No admission cost. **Contact:** Josephine L. Carter, Coordinator, at 314-838-3703.

February 2, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

6419 Clemens, University City

African American Read-In Chain. No admission cost. Sponsored by University City East. **Contact:** Betsy Grant at 314/726-5452.

February 3, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M. St. Louis Public Library, 4401 Hampton

Glenn "Papa" Wright, Storyteller. Program contains musical/percussion instruments and use of puppets. Grades K-3. **Contact:** 314/352-2900.

February 3, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Central Library, Culver Gallery, 3rd Floor, 1301 Olive

Culver Gallery Exhibit. Exhibit provided by Robert Powell and Portfolio Gallery.

Contact: 314/539-0315.

February 4, 2003 Time: 9:30 A.M. & 10:25 A.M. Ralph Tynes Gymnasium, 501 Westwind Dr., Festus

Student Assembly emphasizing American music from the 1920's to the present, from blues to jazz, from musical theatre to swing. Special guests: Jubilee Five. Sponsored by the Festus High School Social Studies Dept. No admission cost. **Contact:** Tom Nesselhauf at 636/937-5410.

February 4, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis Community College Library, 7606 Natural Bridge

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Beaded Prayers Project. Be a part of a national traveling art exhibit. Learn how various cultures have used beads. Create two amulets, one to become part of the exhibit, and one to keep. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 8, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 7821 Maryland Avenue

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Enter the Story. Be a part of this hands-on audience participation celebration of African-American stories. Dance, sing and play instruments as the stories come to life. Special Guest: Janice Lesane Katambwa. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 9, 2003 Time: 1:00 P.M.

St. Louis Community College, Forest Park

35th **Annual African American Arts Festival.** A world of art, pride in the past, faith in the future. Special guest TBA. Sponsored by the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. - Zeta Sigma Chapter. No admission cost. **Contact:** Kathleen Foster at 314/997-2352, or Dionna Trice at 314/644-9735.

February 9, 2003 Time: 2:00 P.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 225 N. Euclid Ave.

Local Author, Jacqueline Powell-Johnson. Schlafly Branch is proud to present the author of the Essence best-selling debut novel, *Someone to Catch My Drift.* Lecture and book signing. **Contact:** 314/367-4120.

February 11, 2003 Time: 10:30 A.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 1701 Jefferson Ave.

More than Peanuts: George Washington Carver, Man of Vision. Amy Haake leads an exploration of some of this remarkable, Missouri-born scientist's experiments using peanuts, soybeans, sweet potatoes and indigo. Grades 4-8. Maximum: 45. **Contact:** 314/771-7040.

February 11, 2003 Time: 3:45 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 915 Utz Lane, Hazelwood, MO

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Beaded Prayers Project. Be a part of a national traveling art exhibit. Learn how various cultures have used beads. Create two amulets, one to become part of the exhibit, and one to keep. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 12, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 3309 S. Grand Ave.

More than Peanuts: George Washington Carver, Man of Vision. Amy Haake leads an exploration of some of this remarkable, Missouri-born scientist's experiments using peanuts, soybeans, sweet potatoes and indigo. Grades 4-8. Maximum: 45. **Contact:** 314/772-6586.

February 12, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M. Mildred Bastian Theatre, 5600 Oakland

Musical Heritage Extravaganza. Contact: Bernice Garner, Forest Park Children's Center, at 314/951-9440.

February 12, 2003 Time: 5:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library Headquarters, 1640 S. Lindbergh Blvd.

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Beaded Prayers Project. Be a part of a national traveling art exhibit. Learn how various cultures have used beads. Create two amulets, one to become part of the exhibit, and one to keep. Recommended for ages 12-18. Please call 314-994-3300, Youth Services, to register. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 12, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 195 New Florissant Rd., Florissant, MO

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/African Dance Workshop. Join Kenya Ajanaku and a special guest dancer to learn a variety of traditional west African dances, using the Katherine Dunham technique. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 12, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 6424 Scanlan Ave.

Gladys Coggswell, Storyteller. Includes African American folk tales, oral history, and audience participation. Grades 2-6. **Contact:** 314/781-2984.

February 12, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 4415 Natural Bridge Ave.

Janet Cheatham Bell, Author. Till Victory is Won: Famous Black Quotations from the NAACP. Book signing to follow lecture. **Contact:** 314/383-3021.

February 13, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M. St. Louis Public Library, 1301 Olive St.

Gladys Coggswell, Storyteller. Includes African American folk tales, oral history, and audience participation. Grades 2-6. **Contact:** 314/241-2288.

February 13, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis County Library, 9909 Lewis-Clark Blvd.

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Enter the Story. Be a part of this hands-on audience participation celebration of African American stories. Dance, sing and play instruments as the stories come to life. Special Guest: Janice Lesane Katambwa. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 13, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 12863 Willowyck Dr.

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Portrait of the Life of a Slave Girl. Quindda lived the first 12 years of her life not knowing she was a slave. She soon learns that life is more difficult than she ever imagined. Special Guest: Basman Red Deer. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 14, 2003 Time: 9:30 A.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 1701 Jefferson Ave.

Gladys Coggswell, Storyteller. Includes African American folk tales, oral history, and audience participation. Grades 2-6. **Contact:** 314/771-7040.

February 15, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

St. Louis County Library, 5430 Telegraph Rd.

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/"The Lion and the Mouse." This puppet show adaptation of the classic Aesop fable teaches kindness is never wasted. Special Guests: Jackie and Glenn "Papa" Wright. No admission cost. **Contact:** Biana Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 15, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M. The Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth

Tales of the Underground Railroad. Susan Mulholland presents a lively and engaging oral tapestry, dramatically interweaving true tales of daring escapes and lively folktales, which bring to life the people and experiences of the Underground Railroad. (Audience Interactive). Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

February 15, 2003 Time: 1:00 P.M. The Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth

Troubled Days of Slavery. Deb Swanegan, in the period costume of a "big house servant," portrays life and games from a personal history. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

February 16, 2003 Time: 4:00 P.M.

Pleasant Green M.B. Church, 4570 Page Blvd. at 1220 Rev. G. H. Pruitt Place 2nd Annual Black History Essay Contest. Theme: "Reaching for the Stars." Phillipians 3:14. No admission cost. Contact: Elizabeth B. Tatumor at 314/535-7548, or

Earline Price at 314/385-5833.

February 18, 2003 Time: 9:30 A.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 4415 Natural Bridge Ave.

Joanne King, Storyteller. Program centers around African American folk tales and includes audience participation. Grades 4-6. **Contact:** 314/383-3021.

February 18, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 4234 N. Grand Boulevard

More than Peanuts: George Washington Carver, Man of Vision. Amy Haake leads an exploration of some of this remarkable, Missouri-born scientist's experiments using peanuts, soybeans, sweet potatoes and indigo. Grades 4-8. Maximum: 45. **Contact:** 314/534-0313.

February 18, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis County Library, 842 S. Holmes Avenue

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Beaded Prayers Project. Be a part of a national traveling art exhibit. Learn how various cultures have used beads. Create two amulets, one to become part of the exhibit, and one to keep. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 18, 2003 Time: 4:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 4444 Weber Road.

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Portrait of the Life of a Slave Girl. Quindda lived the first 12 years of her life not knowing she was a slave. She soon learns that life is more difficult than she ever imagined. Special Guest: Basman Red Deer. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 18, 2003 Time: 6:30 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 915 Utz Lane, Hazelwood

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Beaded Prayers Project. Be a part of a national traveling art exhibit. Learn how various cultures have used beads. Create two amulets, one to become part of

the exhibit, and one to keep. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 19, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 4234 N. Grand Boulevard

Joanne King, Storyteller. Program centers around African American folk tales and includes audience participation. Grades 4-6. **Contact:** 314/534-0313.

February 19, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M. The Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth

East St. Louis High School Choir. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

February 19, 2003 Time: 4:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 8400 Delport Drive

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Portrait of the Life of a Slave Girl. Quindda lived the first 12 years of her life not knowing she was a slave. She soon learns that life is more difficult than she ever imagined. Special Guest: Basman Red Deer. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 19, 2003 Time: 6:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 915 Utz, Hazelwood, MO

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Uncle Remus Stories. Join master storyteller, Blake Travis, for his contemporary version of Joel Chandler Harris' Uncle Remus Stories. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 19, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 3309 S. Grand Ave.

Vincent Alexanderia, Author. Kansas City mystery writer of, *If Walls Could Talk*, now being considered for a major motion picture, is an exciting author you don't want to miss seeing. **Contact:** 314/772-6586.

February 20, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 5760 W. Florissant Ave.

Joanne King, Storyteller. Program centers around African American folk tales and includes audience participation. Grades 4-6. **Contact:** 314/383-1210.

February 20, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis County Library, 103 Hilltop Village Center, Eureka, MO

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/ "The Lion and the Mouse." This puppet show adaptation of the classic Aesop fable teaches kindness is never wasted. Special Guests: Jackie and Glenn "Papa" Wright. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 20, 2003 Time: 3:30 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 7821 Maryland Avenue

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Beaded Prayers Project. Be a part of a national traveling art exhibit. Learn how various cultures have used beads. Create two amulets, one to become part of

the exhibit, and one to keep. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 20, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 9920 Lin-Ferry Drive

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/African Dance Workshop. Join Kenya Ajanaku and a special guest dancer to learn a variety of traditional west African dances, using the Katherine Dunham technique. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 21, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

St. Louis Community College, Meramec, Student Center, SC-123 and Student Center Lobby

African Celebration. A celebration of African culture manifested through African dance, music and other artistic expressions and an "African Market." **Contact:** 314/984-7528.

February 22, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

St. Louis County Library, 1010 Meramec Station Rd., Manchester, MO *Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/African Dance Workshop.* Join Kenya Ajanaku and a special guest dancer to learn a variety of traditional west African dances, using the Katherine Dunham technique. No admission cost. Contact: Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 22, 2003 Time: 12:00P.M. The Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth

Who Was George Washington Carver? Lana Henry presents an audience interactive and informative program about the slave who became a major scientist and educator. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

February 22, 2003 Time: 1:00 P.M. The Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth

The Tuskegee Airmen. Meet Lewis Lynch, World War II veteran and Tuskegee Airman. Hear the real stories and ask questions about truly courageous Americans. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

February 22, 2003 Time: 2:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 4153 N. Highway 67, Florissant, MO

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Beaded Prayers Project. Be a part of a national traveling art exhibit. Learn how various cultures have used beads. Create two amulets, one to become part of

the exhibit, and one to keep. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 22, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M. Festus Armory

8th **Annual Black History Luncheon** sponsored by the Cultural Diversity Committee. Proceeds to Shropshire/Douglass Alumni Scholarship Fund. Tickets: \$25. Speaker: Philip K. Carter, Director of Product Development, Personal Health Care, Proctor & Gamble. Music by The Sears Associates' Gospel Choir, recording artists from Chicago, IL. **Contact:** Earl Cook at 636/931-5354.

February 23, 2003 Time: 2:00 P.M.

Sheldon Concert Hall and Ballroom, 3648 Washington Blvd.

Kweisi Mufume, President and CEO, NAACP, will be the keynote speaker. Sponsored by the St. Louis Public Library. **Contact:** 314/539-0305.

February 24, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis County Library, 7606 Natural Bridge Rd.

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Uncle Remus Stories. Join master storyteller, Blake Travis, for his contemporary version of Joel Chandler Harris' Uncle Remus Stories. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 24, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 7821 Maryland Avenue

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February 25, 2003 Time: 6:30 P.M.

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St. Louis County Library, 10267 St. Charles Rock Road, St. Ann, MO *Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Uncle Remus Stories.* Join master storyteller, Blake Travis, for his contemporary version of Joel Chandler Harris' Uncle Remus Stories. No admission cost. Contact: Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 26, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

St. Louis Public Library, 6800 Michigan Ave.

Joanne King, Storyteller. Program centers around African American folk tales and includes audience participation. Grades 4-6. **Contact:** 314/752-9224.

February 26, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M. The Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth

Sumner High School Choir. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

February 26, 2003 Time: 1:00 P.M. 8710 Walter Ave., Berkeley MO

The Rising. Sponsored by the Student Congress and Social Studies Dept., Ferguson Florissant School District. **Contact:** Ms. Gulen Grooms at 314/506-9867.

February 26, 2003 Time: 1:15 P.M. Lexington School, 5030 Lexington

"Building Upon a Strong Foundation" African American History Program to be held in the Multipurpose Building. Students of Lexington School participating/community attending. No admission cost. **Contact:** Winnetta Ellis at 314/385-2522.

February 26, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 3455 McKelvey Rd., Bridgeton, MO

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise/Uncle Remus Stories. Join master storyteller, Blake Travis, for his contemporary version of Joel Chandler Harris' Uncle Remus Stories. No admission cost. **Contact:** Bianca Roberts at 314/994-9411, ext. 236.

February 27, 2003 Time: 6:30 P.M.

St. Louis County Library, 1640 S. Lindbergh

Dreamweavers: And Still We Rise Culminating Event. Middle School and High School winners of art and essay contests will be the special guests. No admission cost.

Contact: Sandra J. Williams, at 314/994-3300, ext. 264.

February 27, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M. St. Louis Public Library, 4401 Hampton

Bobby Norfolk, Storyteller. Globetrotting with Bobby. Dynamic sound effects and Bobby's lively, animated style, highlight this presentation of tales from the Far East, Africa, Europe and America. Multicultural to the core, this is classic Bobby Norfolk. All ages welcome. **Contact:** 314/352-2900.

February 28, 2003 Time: 2:15 P.M.

Kottmeyer Early Childhood Center, 1530 South Grand

Children to Celebrate Black History in Song and Dance. No admission cost.

Contact: Mary Fondren at 314/865-2600.

March 1, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M.

The Museum of Westward Expansion under the Gateway Arch

African American Cowboys. Omar Reed, as stagecoach driver and footman, spins the yarns of the cowboys and provides hands-on articles. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

March 1, 2003 Time: 1:00 P.M.

The Museum of Westward Expansion under the Gateway Arch

Heroes of the Wild West. Joann King, storyteller extraordinaire, presents some of the many colorful characters, who as free men and women, went west and helped to build a nation. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

March 3, 17, 24 and 31, 2003

Time: 12:00 P.M.

St. Louis Community College Meramec, Room BA-105

African-American Women/Film Series. Designed to highlight some of the contributions made in the area of film by African American women, in terms of acting, screen-play writing, production or direction. The movies will include *A Raisin in the Sun, Beloved, The Color Purple,* and *Daughter's of the Dust.* **Contact:** 314/984-7528.

March 6-7, 2003 Time: 9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

The Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth

Frederick Douglass. Actor and educator, Fred Morsell, portrays Frederick Douglass (1818-1895), escaped slave, abolitionist, champion of race and gender equality, and American hero. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

March 8, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M. & 1:00 P.M.

The Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth

Frederick Douglass on the Dred Scott Decision. As portrayed by actor and educator, Fred Morsell, Frederick Douglass (1818-1895), a true American hero who escaped slavery to become a champion of race and gender equality, speaks about the decision of

the United States Supreme Court that helped to precipitate the Civil War and brought forth the 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments to the Constitution. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

March 8, 2003 Time: 12:00 Noon The Old Courthouse, 11 North Fourth

Concert. The music and songs of Desarie Holmes take us through the dreams and struggles for freedom and equality. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

April 3-4, 2003 Time: 9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. April 5, 2003 Time: 10:30 A.M. & 1:00 P.M.

The Museum of Westward Expansion under the Gateway Arch

Meet Harriet Tubman. Marlene Rivero and Mary McCorvie present a program that brings to life the era of the Underground Railroad. Through song and narrative, learn about this famous abolitionist and "conductor" of the Underground Railroad and her struggles and victories during her fight for freedom. Sponsored by the National Park Service. No admission cost. **Contact:** David Uhler at 314/655-1600.

June - November 2003 as listed below National Conference for Community and Justice, 721 Olive St. *June* -

Dismantling Racism Institute for Educators
Anytown Youth Leadership Institute
Brotherhood Sisterhood Awards Dinner
August - Anytown Youth Leadership Institute
November - Dismantling Racism Institute

Fees are charged - Scholarships are available. **Contact:** Martin Rafanan, at 314/241-5103.

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SPRINGFIELD. MO

January 17-20, 2003

Leaving from SMSU Campus to Atlanta, GA

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Celebration Trip to Atlanta. \$200.00 per person. Sponsored by Southwest Missouri State University (SMSU), Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. - Sigma Theta Chapter. **Contact:** Ramon Blakley, at 417/836-6618.

January 20, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

Old City Hall Building

"MLK Freedom March." Gather at the Old City Hall building at the corner of Boonville and Chestnut Expressway. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Springfield Branch of the NAACP. Contact: Athel Ransom at 417/887-2548.

January 20, 2003 Time: 12:00 A.M.

Abundant Life Center, 157 Park Central Square

"MLK Celebration and Rally." No admission cost. Sponsored by the Springfield Branch of the NAACP. **Contact:** Athel Ransom at 417/887-2548.

January 20, 2003 Time: 1:00 P.M.

Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts, SMSU

Multicultural Opportunity Festival. Information booths, displays, and hourly performances of music, dance, etc. No admission cost. Sponsored by UNITE of Southwest Missouri, Inc. **Contact:** Samuel Knox at 417/864-7444.

January 24, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

SMSU Plaster Student Union Theatre, 901 S. National

"An Evening of Reflection." Special guest speaker: Hugh Price. No admission cost. Sponsored by SMSU Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. - Sigma Theta Chapter. Contact: Ramon Blakley at 427/836-6618.

WARRENSBURG, MO

January 19, 2003 Time: 6:00 P.M.

Grover Park Baptist Church

Ecumenical Service. Sponsored by Central Missouri State University, Office of

Community Engagement. Contact: CMSU at 660/543-4156.

January 20, 2003 Time: 9:30 A.M.

Warrensburg Community Center Meeting Rooms 1 & 2

Educational Workshops. Bronia Roslawowski on Surviving the Holocaust; and Dr. Mario Ramos-Reyes on Understanding Hispanic Culture. Sponsored by Central Missouri State University, Office of Community Engagement. **Contact:** 660/543-4156.

January 20, 2003 Time: 1:30 P.M.

Warrensburg Community Center Meeting Rooms 1 & 2.

Educational Workshops. Mosaics of Memories on Integrating Holocaust Education Into the Curriculum; and Dr. Daryl J. Hobbs on Globalization and Its Impact on Community. Sponsored by Central Missouri State University, Office of Community Engagement. **Contact:** 660/543-4156.

January 20, 2003 Time: 3:30 P.M.

Walmart Parking Lot to Kansas City, Missouri

Freedom Riders Tour. Bus departs Warrensburg Walmart parking lot for Kansas City to King Celebration at St. Stephen Baptist Church. Cost is \$15.00/person. Must purchase ticket in advance at the Office of Community Engagement. **Contact:** 660/543-4156.

January 21, 2003 Time: Morning

Warrensburg Schools

Educational Performances. Contact: 660/543-4156.

January 21, 2003 Time: 6:00 P.M.

CMSU Multipurpose Building

Freedom Scholarship Dinner. Keynote speaker: Emanuel Cleaver II. Dinner tickets are available for purchase at the Office of Community Engagement, CMSU, Union 224. Must pre-purchase tickets to attend. Proceeds provide scholarships. **Contact:** 660/543-4156.

January 27, 2003 Time: 6:00 P.M.

CMSU Union 240

Gospel Concert. Sponsored by Central Missouri State University, Office of Community Engagement. **Contact:** 660/543-4156.

January 31, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M.

Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Luncheon.

MLK Service, Humanitarian and Leadership Awards. Luncheon tickets are available at the Greater Warrensburg Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center. **Contact:** 660/747-3168.

EAST ST. LOUIS. ILLINOIS

December 17, 2002 Time: 6:30 P.M. East St. Louis City Council Chambers

Annual Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration. Sponsored by the Eugene B. Redmond Writers

Club. **Contact:** 618/482-6900.

January 20, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M. New Bethel Church, 59th & Belmont

Program of inspirational music and speeches. Sponsored by the MLK Commemorative Committee. **Contact:** Vivian Adams, at 618/397-6314.

January - May, 2003 Time: 6:00 P.M.

Southern Illinois University - East St. Louis Campus, Room 025, 411 E. Broadway Literary/Cultural Workshop. Held every first and third Tuesday of the Month. Meetings focus on literary styles, development of the writer, cultural backgrounds, and special programs like Kwanzaa and "Fresh & Ancestral." Sponsored by the Eugene B. Redmond Writers Club. Contact: 618/482-6900.

EDWARDSVILLE, ILLINOIS

February 11, 2003 Time: 11:30 A.M. Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville

Awards Presentation. Two-hour program includes lunch and remarks from guest speaker, Dr. David Satcher, Former U.S. Surgeon General. Also included are entertainment and awards presentation for student scholars, community/campus humanitarians and winners of the high school essay, poetry and art contest. Cost is \$12/public, \$8 students. **Contact:** Steve Sperotto, Director, Kimmel Leadership Center at 618/650-2687.

GRANITE CITY. ILLINOIS

September 25, 2002 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Granite City Campus, Southwestern Illinois College, History Room, 4950 Maryville Road

Songs of Life, a Poetry Reading. Guests are Eugene Redmond, Professor of English and chair of the Creative Writing Program at SIU-E; and Remi Raji, lecturer at the Dept. Of English, University of Ibadan. No admission cost. **Contact:** 618/235-2700, ext. 6600.

JACKSON.MISSISSIPPI

February 13-15, 2003
Robinson School of Liberal Arts, Jackson State University

HBCU Student Newspaper Conference and Job Fair. Conference is being presented by The Blue and White Flash.

AUSTIN. TEXAS

January 20, 2003 Time: 9:00 A.M.

Huston-Tillotson College, 900 Church Street

Tenth Annual Martin Luther King, Jr Celebration and March from the Huston-Tillotson College Campus. Sponsored by the Austin Area Heritage Council. No admission cost. Contact: Linda Y. Jackson at 512/505-3006.

Huston-Tillotson College's Calendar of Events

January 15, 2003 Campus Martin Luther King, Jr. Program/Spring Convocation

February, 2003 Black History Month Programs

February 22, 2003 College Day and African American Heritage Festival

Contact for all of the above: Linda Y. Jackson, at 512/505-3006, e-mail: lyjackson@htc.edu.